

**MINUTES OF THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2007**

At a meeting of the **Finance Committee**, held Wednesday, May 23, 2007, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mt. Clemens, the following members were present:

Slinde-Chair, Brdak, Brown, Bruley, Camphous-Peterson, Crouchman, DeSaele, DiMaria, Doherty, Drolet, Duzyj, D. Flynn, J. Flynn, Gielegem, Haggerty, Lund, Mijac, Rengert, Roberts, Rocca, Switalski, Szczepanski, Tocco, Torrice and Vosburg.

Absent and excused was Sauger.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Slinde called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

Chair Slinde asked that #9 (item waived by PED Committee Chair) be moved up to follow the public hearing. There were no objections.

MOTION

A motion was made by Szczepanski, supported by Duzyj, to adopt the agenda, as amended (and to include #7a-Executive Session and three additional travel requests).
The Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BOND FINANCING FOR AIM PLASTICS,
CLINTON TOWNSHIP**

No public comments were made.

**ITEM WAIVED BY PED COMMITTEE CHAIR: ADOPT RESOLUTION TO
APPROVE A PROJECT PLAN FOR COUNTY OF MACOMB ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (AIM PLASTICS, INC.)**

Mr. Bob Tess, Planning and Economic Development Department, and Mr. Jim Jarrod, AIM Plastics, provided an overview.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VOSBURG, SUPPORTED BY DOHERTY, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A PROJECT PLAN FOR THE COUNTY OF MACOMB ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (AIM PLASTICS, INC. – CLINTON TOWNSHIP). **THE MOTION CARRIED WITH DROLET VOTING “NO.”**

LIST OF BILLS AS PREPARED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION - MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY J. FLYNN, SUPPORTED BY RENGERT, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE MONTHLY BILLS (WITH CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS AND/OR ADDENDA) AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT; FURTHER, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$10,459,522.84, WITH NECESSARY MODIFICATIONS TO THE APPROPRIATIONS. **THE MOTION CARRIED (WITH TORRICE ABSTAINING FROM BILLS FOR TORRICE AND ZALEWSKI, PLLC/CIRCUIT COURT FEES-DEFENSE ATTORNEYS).**

APPOINTMENT OF LAW FIRM

MOTION

A motion was made by J. Flynn, supported by Vosburg, to appoint the law firm of Plunkett & Cooney to represent the County of Macomb in the case of Daniel Edward Yarbrough v County of Macomb, Macomb County Sheriff Mark Hackel, Michelle Sanborn and Undersheriff Kent B. Lagerquist. **The Motion Carried.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION

It was indicated that the outside attorneys were not present yet, so Chair Slinde continued with the agenda.

ITEMS WAIVED BY OPERATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE CHAIR

PAYMENT OF INVOICES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SZCZEPANSKI, SUPPORTED BY J. FLYNN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE PAYMENT FOR THE WORK PERFORMED AS FOLLOWS:

MEDICAL EXAMINER FACILITY	BERNCO, INC.	\$ 144,373.45
42-2 DISTRICT COURT	E. GILBERT & SONS, INC.	1,060,941.22

NEW PUBLIC WORKS BLDG.	PROJECT CONTROL SYSTEMS	345,416.40
JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER	WAKELY ASSOCIATES, INC.	11,400.00

FURTHER, FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 3 – MEDICAL EXAMINER’S OFFICE

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SZCZEPANSKI, SUPPORTED BY J. FLYNN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 3 AS SUBMITTED BY THE ARCHITECT, EDMUND LONDON & ASSOCIATES, INC., IN THE DEDUCT AMOUNT OF (\$3,904.79) FOR THE MACOMB COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER’S OFFICE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

APPROVE GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF 42-2 DISTRICT COURT AND AUTHORIZE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER TO ENTER INTO NEW CONTRACTS WITH SUBCONTRACTORS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SZCZEPANSKI, SUPPORTED BY J. FLYNN, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE THE GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE (GMP) FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE 42ND DISTRICT COURT – DIVISION II IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,551,012.00 AND AUTHORIZE THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER, E. GILBERT & SONS, INC., TO ENTER INTO NEW CONTRACTS WITH THE SUBCONTRACTORS AS OUTLINED IN THE MAY 15, 2007 CORRESPONDENCE FROM PARTNERS IN ARCHITECTURE, PLC; FUNDING FOR THIS PROJECT IS AVAILABLE IN THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

TRAVEL FOR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ATTEND NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES’ ANNUAL SUMMER CONFERENCE AND EXPOSITION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY J. FLYNN, SUPPORTED BY RENGERT, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE TRAVEL FOR FOUR COMMISSIONERS TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES’ (NACo) ANNUAL SUMMER CONFERENCE AND EXPOSITION, TO BE HELD JULY 13-17, 2007 IN RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

Commissioner Bruley questioned why travel request forms were not submitted for the requests on today's agenda in order for him to know the costs.

Commissioner J. Flynn indicated that a travel request form has not been required in the past.

AMENDMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BRULEY, SUPPORTED BY TOCCO, TO APPROVE TRAVEL FOR TWO COMMISSIONERS AND THAT A TRAVEL REQUEST FORM BE FILLED OUT AND PROVIDED AT THE MAY 24 FULL BOARD MEETING; FURTHER, THAT TRAVEL REQUEST FORMS BE FILLED OUT FOR ALL FUTURE TRAVEL REQUESTS.

Chair Slinde did not accept the amendment because she felt it was a policy change.

Commissioner Bruley challenged the Chair's ruling.

Commissioner Bruley stated that he is not attempting to change policy, but felt the Commissioners should follow the policies that have been established for employees and that all details be provided before a vote is taken.

Mr. Meyerand indicated that a yes vote supports the Chair's ruling.

A roll call vote was taken on the challenge to the Chair as follows:

Voting Yes were Brown, Camphous-Peterson, Crouchman, DeSaele, Drolet, J. Flynn, Haggerty, Lund, Rengert, Rocca, Vosburg, Szczepanski and Slinde. There were 13 "Yes" votes.

Voting No were Brdak, Bruley, Doherty, D. Flynn, Gielegghem, Mijac, Roberts, Switalski, Tocco and Torrice. There were 10 "No" votes.

The Chair's ruling stands and the amendment is not accepted.

AMENDMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY LUND, SUPPORTED BY DROLET, TO APPROVE TRAVEL FOR TWO COMMISSIONERS AND THAT A TRAVEL REQUEST FORM BE FILLED OUT AND PROVIDED AT THE MAY 24 FULL BOARD MEETING.

Commissioner Lund thought the issue of providing a travel request form for future requests should be dealt with at the proper time.

Commissioner Doherty stated for the record that she felt the Board should hold themselves to the same standard as employees.

Chair Slinde called for a vote on the amendment and **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MAIN MOTION, AS AMENDED, AS FOLLOWS:

VOTING YES WERE BROWN, CAMPHOUS-PETERSON, CROUCHMAN, DeSAELE, DOHERTY, J. FLYNN, HAGGERTY, LUND, RENGERT, ROCCA, TOCCO, TORRICE, VOSBURG, SZCZEPANSKI AND SLINDE. THERE WERE 15 "YES" VOTES.

VOTING NO WERE BRDAK, BRULEY, DROLET, DUZYJ, D. FLYNN, GIELEGHEM, MIJAC, ROBERTS AND SWITALSKI. THERE WERE 9 "NO" VOTES.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

The motion now reads as follows:

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

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TRAVEL FOR FOUR INDIVIDUALS TO ATTEND MACKINAC POLICY CONFERENCE

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RENGERT, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE TRAVEL FOR FOUR INDIVIDUALS TO ATTEND THE MACKINAC POLICY CONFERENCE, TO BE HELD MAY 30-JUNE 1, 2007; FUNDING IS AVAILABLE IN THE 2007 BUDGET.

Commissioner Lund asked if the individuals have been determined. Board Chair Crouchman replied that at this point they will be representatives from the Finance and Planning Departments, as well as Commissioner Vosburg.

AMENDMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOHERTY, SUPPORTED BY DiMARIA, THAT A TRAVEL REQUEST FORM BE FILLED OUT AND PROVIDED AT THE MAY 24 FULL BOARD MEETING FOR EACH PERSON ATTENDING.

Board Chairman Crouchman said he was not sure if he will know the specific individuals that will be attending from the departments. Commissioner Doherty felt that the form can just indicate a representative, but the associated expenses should be included.

MOTION

A motion was made by Lund, supported by Drolet, to refer this to tomorrow's Full Board meeting. **The Motion Carried with Rengert and Szczepanski voting "No".**

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SZCZEPANSKI, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS:

COMMENDING JUDY BETTS – RECIPIENT OF 2007 GIRL SCOUT-OTSIKITA COUNCIL WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARD (**OFFERED BY CAMPHOUS-PETERSON**);

COMMENDING REVEREND ROXIE DAVIS – RECIPIENT OF 2007 GIRL SCOUT-OTSIKITA COUNCIL WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARD (**OFFERED BY CAMPHOUS-PETERSON**);

COMMENDING ELAINE MARCOTTE – RECIPIENT OF 2007 GIRL SCOUT-OTSIKITA COUNCIL WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARD (**OFFERED BY CAMPHOUS-PETERSON**);

COMMENDING BARBARA DEMPSEY – RECIPIENT OF 2007 GIRL SCOUT-OTSIKITA COUNCIL WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARD (**OFFERED BY CAMPHOUS-PETERSON**);

PROCLAIMING MAY 13-19, 2007 AS POLICE WEEK IN WARREN (**OFFERED BY J. FLYNN, DOHERTY, DUZYJ, SAUGER, SLINDE AND SWITALSKI**);

COMMENDING FITZGERALD HIGH SCHOOL – SELECTED AS A GRAMMY SIGNATURE SCHOOL (**OFFERED BY J. FLYNN AND DUZYJ**);

PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER AS RECOVERY MONTH IN MACOMB COUNTY (**OFFERED BY BOARD CHAIR**);

COMMENDING JOSEPH AND PATRICIA BRADACS – 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY (**OFFERED BY TORRICE**);

RECOGNIZE THE VIETNAMESE FREEDOM AND HERITAGE FLAG AS THE FLAG OF THE VIETNAMESE-AMERICAN COMMUNITY (**OFFERED BY DiMARIA**);

PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 24, 2007 AS FAMILY DAY – A DAY TO EAT DINNER WITH YOUR CHILDREN (**OFFERED BY BOARD CHAIR**);

HONORING MARSHA GREEN – 18 YEARS AS A FOSTER MOTHER (**OFFERED BY BRDAK**);

HONORING CHARLENE McEACHINE – NEW BALTIMORE CITIZEN OF THE YEAR
(OFFERED BY BRDAK);

HONORING LUMBERJACK – NEW BALTIMORE BUSINESS OF THE YEAR
(OFFERED BY BRDAK);

AFFIRMING MACOMB COUNTY'S SUPPORT FOR AND PARTICIPATION IN THE
TRI-COUNTY SUMMIT 2007 (OFFERED BY CAMPHOUS-PETERSON)

THE MOTION CARRIED.

TRAVEL REQUESTS

MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Camphous-Peterson, to approve the travel requests as submitted. **The Motion Carried.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION

MOTION

A motion was made by DiMaria, supported by Szczepanski, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Voting Yes were Brdak, Brown, Bruley, Camphous-Peterson, Crouchman, DeSaele, DiMaria, Doherty, Drolet, J. Flynn, Gielegghem, Haggerty, Lund, Mijac, Rengert, Roberts, Rocca, Switalski, Tocco, Torrice, Vosburg, Szczepanski and Slinde. There were 23 "Yes" votes.

The Motion Carried.

In accordance with the motion, committee entered Executive Session at 10 a.m., with it concluding at 10:55 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Camphous-Peterson spoke about the Selfridge air show that will be held in July and whether it should be pursued further because there is no money available in the Planning Department's budget. She said it previously cost approximately \$7,000, which included a tent, food and beverages.

After discussion, it was determined that sponsors should be pursued.

Commissioner Vosburg requested that she be provided information and she would bring the issue up at Focus Macomb's Business Development Committee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by DiMaria, to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**

Corinne Bedard
Committee Reporter